

# WINTER HAVEN **PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Public Safety Community Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, December 2, 2021, at 6:00 P.M.**  
Florida Citrus Building – Public Safety Conference Room  
500 Third Street NW  
Winter Haven, FL 33881

## MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Director Bird called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL** - Jamie Brown, Public Information Officer  
**Present:** Richard Treuman; Tom Freijo; Linda Wingate; Beth Luxford; Shandra Blocker; Abdul Al-Khatib; Melody Johnson; Morgan Wilson; Daniel Maxwell; Christina Fullerton (Alternate).  
  
**Absent:** Theophilus Anderson (Alternate)  
  
**City Staff Present:** Public Safety Director Charlie Bird; Police Chief David Brannan; Police Captains Jose Sanchez, Mitch Meadows, and Donald Nunnery; Fire Marshall and Fire OIC Sonny Emory; Diversity and Inclusivity Director Christine Samuel; and Deputy City Clerk Joanna Abernathy.
3. **STAFF INTRODUCTIONS**  
Director Bird introduced City staff members present.
4. **INTRODUCTIONS**  
Each Committee member introduced themselves.
5. **SUNSHINE LAW OVERVIEW**  
Deputy City Clerk Joanna Abernathy reviewed Government-in-the-Sunshine and ethics requirements. It was agreed that the electronic PDF version of the *Government-in-the-Sunshine Manual* and the *Florida Commission on Ethics Guide to the Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees* will be emailed to each Committee member along with the PowerPoint presentation given.
6. **SELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR**  
Chief Brannan requested any desire to be the chair. Tom Freijo and Abdul Al-Khatib expressed interest. Both members gave their background and qualifications to be the Chair.

Abdul Al-Khatib deferred to Tom Freijo as the Chair and Abdul agreed to be nominated as the Co-Chair as discussed.

**Motion by Linda Wingate for Nomination of Abdul Al-Khatib as Co-Chair.**

**Second by Daniel Maxwell.**

**Motion carried 9:0.**

**1. SELECTION OF THE NEXT MEETING DATE**

**Motion by Chairman Freijo to schedule the next meeting date of Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 6 p.m.**

**Second by Morgan Wilson.**

**Motion carried 9:0.**

**2. PROCEDURE OVERVIEW – IA, USE OF FORCE, ACCREDITATION**

Chief Brannan presented information regarding Internal Affairs, Use of Force and Accreditation.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion by Richard Treuman to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.**

**Second by Abdul Al-Khatib.**

**Motion carried 9:0.**

**ATTEST:**

  
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Jamie Brown  
Committee Clerk  
Public Safety Department

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNITY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

  
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Tom Freijo  
Committee Chair